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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Minutes of Regular Semi-Monthly Meeting Held Last Night.

All the members were present at the meeting of the council last night and considerable business was transacted.

Communications were received from the following: Aubrey White, James White, R. F. Fisher, E. E. Speakman, Geo. Barnes, D. H. Currie, A. Woods and R. D. Donkin.

Petition from R. Skinn and others: G. W. Fuleton, G. T. Derry and W. McCarthy.

A motion by Coun. Chadwick that the chairman of the board of works be authorized to have the grade of First street at corner of Lily established was lost. An amendment by Coun. Herwill that the present grade of First street be the established grade on the southeast corner, was carried.

A check for \$34.10 was authorized to be issued for clerical work and postage on assessment roll.

The report of the finance committee was received and adopted recommending payment of a number of accounts.

An additional grant of \$300 was made to the local board of health.

No grant was made to entertain the Western Press Association upon their promised visit on June 18th.

Moved by Coun. Brydon, seconded Coun. Chadwick, that whereas it is desirable and necessary to provide water to such ratpayers and others desiring the same, and whereas, that in consequence of the council not being in a financial position to put in connection from the mains to the street line, be it resolved that any ratpayer desiring water and there being no street connection, that such ratpayer be permitted to dig the trench and the street connection be put in by such ratpayer, under the supervision and approval of the fire, water and light committee, and the town treasurer be authorized to allow the connection to the water consumer on his water rates when certified by the chairman of the committee. Carried.

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was authorized to proceed with the construction of sidewalk on Julia St., commenced last year under local improvement bylaw.

The several applicants for Coney Island park were requested to state in writing what improvements they are prepared to make for a three-year lease of the town park privileges.

A reward of \$10 was authorized to be offered for information which would lead to the conviction of any parties injuring or destroying shade trees in the municipality.

A cheque was authorized to be issued to return an indigent to Winnipeg.

A cluster light was authorized to be placed about one hundred yards from the south side of the floating bridge.

The local improvement by-law received its several readings and was finally passed.

The by-law to raise \$25,000 for water-works extension finally received its second reading and was referred to the Lieutenant-Governor in council for approval before being finally adopted.

The Golden Horn.

Mr. Rideout left yesterday with a small crew of men to commence development work on the Golden Horn. This is the property which was purchased some time ago from Messrs. Rideout and Hemmings by a company composed largely of St. John and Montreal people. As soon as the campsite in readiness a larger force of men will be employed.

The Olive.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Olive Mining Company was held here last week, but on account of the smallness of the attendance the meeting was adjourned. The adjourned meeting will be held in Toronto. It is expected that arrangements will be completed whereby the mine will be reopened and possibly operated upon a larger scale than heretofore.

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Toronto Telegram Thinks it Time Towns Quit Bothering the Champion.

Champion J. G. Gaudaur has so far received no reply to his latest cablegram to Sullivan, the backer of Towns, the English sculling champion. It would seem as if Towns had only been putting up a bluff looking for a lot of cheap notoriety.

In this connection we believe the Toronto Telegram expresses the opinion of all friends of professional rowing in Canada in the following paragraph:

"Jake Gaudaur appears to be perfectly justified in his refusal to make any more concessions to either Towns or his backer Sullivan. If the latter were looking for a race they would have little fault to find with the terms offered them. If they don't want a race, it is time they quit bothering the champion and others. The professional rowing game is too near dead now to be able to stand any cheap talk. A good race in good earnest might help to revive it. Talk and no race will kill it sure."

In connection with the above the following interview with Sullivan, published in the London Sportsman, will prove amusing reading to the friends of the champion here. Sullivan said:

"I may say that it is rather strange we have never heard directly from Gaudaur, and the only information we have had is that published, which, of course, may not be very reliable. Jake knows where we are; he knows that our forfeit is up at the Sportsman, and I think he might have recognized us somewhat."

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grazing purposes. The vast wealth which lay just below the grass roots was not suspected. Under the shadows of Pike's Peak that wealth lay hidden since the time of the great convulsion until accidentally uncovered by Bob Womack, a wanderer in the mountains, who is still eking out a precarious existence as a prospector. Womack himself never realized the vast extent of his discovery. But others followed where he directed and today Cripple Creek stands foremost among the gold-producing districts of the world. It is but six miles square, but in that limited area are to be found the deepest shafts and the richest mines of gold. In 1891, following its discovery, the camp produced but \$300,000. The output this year will exceed \$25,000,000. The total output for the decade in round numbers is \$110,000,000. This enormous wealth has caused to grow like magic a community of over 60,000 souls. Within this six miles area are three large cities and numerous small ones. Impressive blocks of brick and stone are to be seen on every hand. There is electric and other conveniences of which some large eastern cities cannot boast.

Manitoba Train Service.

Winnipeg, May 10.—The C. P. R. officials are arranging their summer timetable, which will take effect with the re-establishment of the Imperial Limited service, June 10 next. If the present intentions are carried out the train service in the province will be by far the best that Manitoba has ever had. By the new arrangement passengers will be able to travel from almost any part of the province west and southwest of here to any other part on any lawful day in the week. Several new trains will be put in commission.

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THE MINING SITUATION.

Number of New Properties Being Opened Up in Various Sections.

This week has witnessed a considerable revival in the mining industry in this section, and one which gives evidence of being permanent, as the promoters of companies have lately exercised the utmost care in the selection of properties on which to do development. Negotiations are also pending for the reopening of several properties which were temporarily closed down during the stagnation of the past year. Notably among these we might mention the Regina, a property about which there is little speculation as to its value.

We understand that a deal is about closed by which sufficient money will be placed in development to put this mine in its rightful place as a leading producer.

By reference to other columns of this issue it will be noted that several other companies have either commenced operations or are about to begin.

A Flint Lake Claim.

N. Higbee took out a crew of men yesterday to open up a mining property near Flint lake. They had a complete outfit with them and will do considerable work. Several American gentlemen have secured an option on the property and it is for them the work is being done. This claim was discovered by Luke Carleton.

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mining exhibit will be a grand one and worthy the Province it represents. The showing of fruit is a little backward, however, and will have to be given an extraordinary amount of artistic attention if it is to compare favorably with the Californian one, which is conspicuous for its elegance and richness of coloring.—Toronto News.

THE NI-SHI-SHIN MINE.

Sold to a syndicate of Detroit People. Development Work Commenced.

Messrs. Partington and Bates this week sold a mining claim situated at Ross lake near the Gold Panmer mine, to a Detroit syndicate. The deal was brought about by Mr. Chas. Brant, M.E. The property has been called the Ni-Shi-Shin, and is said to have excellent showings. A portion of the purchase money was paid over yesterday, and a crew of men left today to commence development work.

Made an Impression.

Ottawa, May 12.—The secretary of state for the colonies cables the governor-general as follows: "His Majesty's government has received with much pleasure the following message from the high commissioner for South Africa: 'The inspector-general of the South African Constabulary reports most favorably on the Canadian recruits. The average physique of the men is splendid, and they seem to be particularly well fitted for their duties. I regret that owing to my departure I have not yet had time to see them myself. Milner.' (Signed) Chamberlain."

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RICH STRIKE AT MIKADO

A Magnificent Pay Streak Found in No. 1 Shaft.

Word was received in town this afternoon that a very rich body of ore had been struck at the bottom of No. 1 shaft. It will be remembered that 10 feet of solid ore was met some time ago in the lower levels of this shaft, but the values were lower than the average in the mine.

It looks now as though there will be a better average than what has heretofore been met with will make the shrewd investment of the English shareholders of the banner mine willing to invest further in a district which has proved itself to have such properties as the Mikado.

The Boulder Mine.

Five additional men went up to work at the Boulder mine on Saturday. About fifteen to eighteen men are now employed at this property and we understand the number will be increased as soon as practicable. The work of development is said to be progressing favorably.

MUNICIPAL PARAGRAPHS.

The local improvement bylaw framed by Clerk Currie, and passed at last night's meeting of the council is a great improvement over the former cumbersome bylaw, and will save much time and annoyance for those who petition and wish to get work done quickly. Formerly it required two quarts of revision, but now one will suffice, and once the petition is passed by the council, work can almost be proceeded with at once.

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"Then you think there is no chance of a race?"

"Well, George wants the championship, and if there is a race his friends think he can get it. We don't care whether it is with a turn or not, but we would like to be given a little consideration, and I think followers of rowing will agree that we are not asking too much. I will not say if Gaudaur cares to row Towns, but if he believes he has another race left in him all he has to do is to give us the chance of rowing, and he will soon find out."

Towns is engaged as coach by Mr. St. George Aske for the season, but he stated that this fact would not interfere with his arrangement for a race if articles were signed.

A Great Mining Centre.

Cripple Creek, the place where the coming session of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress is to be held July 10-19 inclusive, is one of the world's wonders. Ten years ago the site was a wild stretch of country for

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Mrs. Costello has not replied to any of the letters, and says she has no intention of marrying again, her first venture having proved an unhappy one.

Horse Show For Winnipeg.

The directors of the Auditorium rink are considering the project of holding a horse show at the rink sometime this fall or summer. In case it is decided that the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall visit the city, the show will probably be arranged to coincide with the date of their stay. If their royal highnesses fail to put in an appearance, the show will probably be held any way.—Free Press.

THROUGH OUR CANALS.

Chicago Steamer Navigation, Its Way to Liverpool via Canadian Waterways.
Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 11.—The steamer Northwestern, of the Northwestern Steamship line, bound from Chicago to Liverpool with a cargo of farm implements, passed here and into Galoup rapids today. A large quantity of coal was loaded on to the forward deck, throwing the tops of wheel bucket out of the water in order to prevent the possibility of striking bottom. She was drawing about thirteen feet of water. This is the first steamer of this line to make the trip and three others are following. A Canadian official is on board to take observations and report as to the availability of a clear fourteen foot channel to the sea as claimed by that government. The St. Lawrence rapids were safely run to Cornwall from which point she will take the canal to Montreal.

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Mining vs. Banking.

There is yearly as much money invested in mining as there is in banking, but banking does not prove as safe or as profitable as mining. In a time of prosperity the average banking dividends seldom exceed 8 per cent. a year. That mining profits quicker and greater profits than any other industrial pursuit is evidenced by the scores of multimillionaires.—National Banker, Chicago.

Chamber May Change Its Venue.

Mr. Malcolm, secretary of the Central Canada Chamber of Mines, has been in Port Arthur and this place the last three days looking over the ground with the possible view of removing the headquarters of that institution from Winnipeg to this point. Yesterday afternoon a meeting was held in the council chamber, Port Arthur, and was attended by a few men from both towns who are the most interested in the development of the district. Col. Ray presided at the meeting and it was addressed by Mr. Malcolm, who went into the workings of the Chamber of Mines quite exhaustively. The substance of the whole proceedings is that the headquarters will be moved to this point, provided enough members can be secured to guarantee that an interest will be taken in keeping it up.—Fort William Times-Journal.

A FINE MINING EXHIBIT.

David Boyle Speaks Warmly of Ontario's Quota at Buffalo.

Mr. David Boyle, curator of the Ontario Archaeological Museum, has returned from Buffalo, where he spent the past two weeks arranging a splendid archaeological exhibit in the Ethnological building of the Pan-American Exposition. The display contains five hundred representative specimens selected with studious care from the thousands upon thousands available for the purpose. He states that the Ontario

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Rat Portage Rowing Club.

The annual local regatta of the Rat Portage Rowing club will be held on May 21st, when the following crews will take part:

M. Seemiller, S. Burton, L. C. Charlesworth, M. Campbell, C. Penrock, S. Codd, S. Gray, T. Elliott.

T. Hoger, J. E. Wallbridge, Dr. J. McFarlane, A. T. Fife.

W. Johnson, W. McGhie, W. D. Pender, A. Young.

M. Emmons, C. Clark, A. G. Plunkett, R. Reardon.

E. R. VanKoughnet, F. Kay, W. Chapple, P. Doncaut.

A. B. McLellan, M. McDonald, R. Rose, W. Martin.

W. J. Moran, H. Young, F. Wright, G. Toole.

Dr. N. Schmar, J. Murphy, G. McPherson, W. Cannon.

T. Phillips, S. Scovil, W. Mather, S. Griffin.

The crews are all practising hard and there is a good deal of speculation as to which will be the winner.

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The resolution of Comrs. Brydon and Chadwick passed last night to give citizens who wish connection with the water system power to construct same and have the cost allowed on their water rates will prove satisfactory to a number of citizens. The work, of course, will be under the supervision of the chairman of the fire, water and light committee, Mr. Horswill, and to whom any ratepayer may apply for information regarding the matter. Information will also be supplied by the secretary of the water works, Mr. D. H. Curtis. On account of the town not being in the very best financial shape at present and also on account of the fine which much elapse before the \$25,000 by-law receives the sanction of the Lieutenant-Governor in council, we think the passage of this resolution was an excellent move. It will enable citizens who wish connection with the system to have it done at once, if they so desire.

The bylaw to raise \$25,000 for the extension of the waterworks system received its second reading last night, and will be sent to the lieutenant-governor in council, for his sanction and approval, and will then be finally passed. It took the council a long time to come to a conclusion in this matter, but we are glad to see that they adopted the right course and saw the wisdom of it as pointed out in last Tuesday's issue of this paper. There is no doubt but that the bylaw will receive the sanction of the lieutenant-governor in council.

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LIQUID AIR AS A BLASTING AGENT.

The problem of the exact field of usefulness of liquid air has been simplified by the elimination, for the present at least, of one class of work for which it was claimed that the new liquid would prove highly efficient. We refer to its use as a blasting agent. A paper recently read before the British Institution of Mining Engineers by Mr. A. Larsen described some tests recently made in the Simplot tunnel with cartridges, which consisted of a wrapper filled with a carbonaceous material, and placed bodily in liquid air until it was completely saturated. The cartridges were kept in the liquid, at the working face of the rock, until they were required for use, when they were lifted out, quickly placed in the shot-holes and detonated with a small gunnecott primer and detonator. It was found that, owing to the rapid evaporation, the useful life of the charges was very short. The cartridges, which were 3 inches in diameter by 8 inches in length, had to be fired within fifteen minutes after being taken out of the liquid air; otherwise there was danger of a misfire. It was chiefly on this account that the tests were discontinued. The disruptive effects, however, were said to be comparable to those of dynamite.—Scientific American.

Solomon, in Furniture and Upholstery says: "A merry heart hath a continual feast," and this kind of at least never wants for guests. The presence of some men is as good as a tonic, their countenance is a benediction, their grip an inspiration and their cherry tone a veritable tower of strength. Some men call forth all that is good in one, just as others stir up mud. Positivism can't live in the presence of a merry heart; suspicion flees like shadow before its sunshine; meanness shrinks away like fog before the breath of its breezy atmosphere. The greatest asset, some men have in their genuine, open, hearty way. It inspires confidence on the part of creditors, disarms the enmity of competitors and promotes the good will of patrons. "A merry heart hath a continual feast." After all, the man who gets the most satisfaction out of life is the one who wins the greatest success.

to get a joint deputation of employers and workmen to approach the Government, with a view of their taking into consideration some form of protection for the steel trade as against the unscrupulous competition of the Americans; in brief, the opinions expressed by the various employers were that if the American competition was of a fair character they would have nothing to say against it. The circular then declares that it is impossible to arrange for such a deputation straight away, and adds that it would be better first, to have an expression of personal opinion, and "if replies warrant such, then to arrange a conference of the employers and employed in the iron and steel trades of the United Kingdom, which could be held as a preliminary for an exchange of opinion and the discussion of this all-important subject previous to organising a deputation." Retaliation against American ultra-protection and combination is evidently in the air of the United Kingdom just now.

A Montreal contemporary says: Captain Bernier has sent out 25,000 circulars asking for subscriptions towards his North Pole trip. Now if the Cap. would only agree to send us down a few icebergs during the ice-cream season we may chip in.

A French nobleman has left some two million dollars to be expended in giving wedding portions to couples of extraordinarily large stature, with a view to having the race of his country become larger. Still it is to be feared that the piquant little demoiselle, with "chiefs" will be apt to catch the big fellows just the same as before.—Star.

Van B. Triplett, the inventor of the gold brick swindle, died the other day, but his spirit "goes on marching on." When the copper-colored book, with which the middle-aged men of today kicked their way along in the world when they were young, have been forgotten; when brass buttons have been relegated to the old curiosity shops, and silver kings are remembered only by nickel plates, will the gold brick invention continue to be used? When man changes his nature, and ceases longing to get something for nothing, he will no longer be swindled.—Montreal Star.

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A LONG COURSE OF LOVE.

Although it is many years since Lang Tam's courtship, it is still spoken of in the Shaws. I myself have heard the story told at more than one angle within the month, and the last recital interested me as much as the first. In the main, I think, Lang Tam was a philosopher.

What has made his one amour a part of the unwritten history of the village, was not that courtships were scarce, that young men were few or young women distant. Time and manner were what did it, but as to the former, the Shaws was notorious. It was always slow in arriving at its own mind, but having once reached it there was no turning back. This was cardinal and the reputation of the Shaws rested upon it. The subject made little difference, and if much depended upon the issue, the more deliberate it was. It looked at it from all sides, and then tried to reckon with the future. The Shaws browsed over every thought it got, and then chiefted, the thought at leisure.

But it even carried this into its love affairs. The young men were exasperating, and had young women known anything better, very few marriages would have taken place in the Shaws. The latter were accounted down, a trait that was altogether in their favor, but it was caused by nothing more or less than their training in patience, both by precept and example; the first in their childhood, and the second when they were old enough to observe for themselves.

A young man of the Shaws unconsciously followed the leading of his heart—but only so far. He took love and fact, weighed the one against the other, and became reflective. A struggle usually ensued, and love sometimes won, sometimes other considerations, in which latter case he would retire from the field with the admonition to the young woman that love was terribly deceiving and dangerous to meddle with. The two would part in silence, and the Shaws would exonerate the young man.

No one ever knew how Lang Tam began his courtship of Peggie Wilkie, but the first real symptom of his love, as far as the Shaws has any record, was the Sabbath morning he gave Peggie a peppermint when they met at the Kirk gate. Peter, who was standing and saw them, Lang Tam, he afterwards said, was like one transfigured. He seemed to grow in height and strolled as no one had ever seen him do before, even to leaving Peggie a step or two behind in the moment of his intense emotion. He stumbled when he reached the Kirk steps which was interpreted as a certain sign that his happiness blinded him. Peter said they would make a match of it sometime, and the Shaws settled down to see what would come of it.

It was soon made manifest that Lang Tam and Peggie were thick in love. As Kirk and market they were seen together, on the brae in the evening and down by the Main's Loan. Kirstie Powrie, who regarded him only from his prosy side, declared that they carried on like perfect fools.

The Shaws withheld its judgment, though they recognized the seriousness of the situation. True love had its means, the Shaws' sister Peter, he admitted to get the better of the mind, but Lang Tam and Peggie were beyond all reason. It was as if they were the only two in the Shaws, and made no disguise of it. Their lives ripened too early. The Shaws' sister Peter, he waited. What it feared was what happened. Lang Tam and Peggie were engaged before the end of two months. The Shaws frowned and said it was a

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In His Weakened Condition La. Crippled Fastened Itself Upon Him, and Brought Him Near the Grave.

Mr. William Silver is a well known farmer living near Hemford, N. S. During his life he has passed through much sickness, but now, thanks to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, he is again enjoying vigorous health. To a reporter who recently interviewed him Mr. Silver said: "I am now in my 62nd year, and I may date the beginning of my trouble to my sixteenth year when I was thrown from a horse's back and had my spine somewhat injured. This was always a weak spot and it seemed to leave me more susceptible to other troubles, as it grew worse and advanced in years. As a farmer I always had to work hard, and often to expose myself to inclement weather. My back trouble was finally aggravated by indigestion, and as this affected my appetite, I was very much run down. Finally a few years ago I was attacked with a gripple, which developed into pneumonia. My family doctor succeeded in conquering this trouble, but for six months I was not able to leave the house, and all that he could do for me did not bring back my strength. Finally another doctor, and during that time I was not able to do any work. My whole system seemed exhausted, and my nerves shattered. On fine days I would go out for a while, but often I would become so weak and dizzy that I could scarcely get back to the house. One day a neighbor asked me why I did not try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I thought the advice might be worth taking and I sent for a half dozen boxes of the pills. Before they were gone there was no doubt I had found the medicine that was helping me, and I got a further supply. I continued taking the pills for about three months, and before I quit using them I was feeling better, and stronger than I had done for years. Every symptom of the weakness that had followed the gripple was gone and my back which had troubled me for some years was almost as strong as in boyhood. I have since done many a hard day's work and been exposed to bad weather, but without any evil effects, and I can truly say Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have restored me to vigorous manhood."

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The British steel workers are so thoroughly alarmed by the efforts of the American Steel Trust, that they are evidently quite prepared to consider a proposal for a partial abrogation of Britain's free import, alias free trade policy. Thus Mr. Hooley, the Secretary of the British Steel Smelters Amalgamated Association, has issued a circular which is opposed in part to those very principles of free trade which the British working man, we have been told, would fight for with the last breath. The opening paragraph of the circular runs thus: "At a conference which took place last week between the steel makers of South Wales and delegates of the workmen, the Chairman (Mr. Peckles, of the Briton Ferry Steel Company), expressed the opinion on behalf of the other employers that an effort should be made

ed the kick steps which was interpreted as a certain sign that his happiness blinded him. Peter said they would make a match of it sometime, and the Shaws settled down to see what would come of it.

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Peter Prin declared years afterwards, that James' prayer was the most effectual he ever delivered, and on the whole he thought that he might have asked for less. It was nearly four years since the engagement, and Lang Tam and Peggie were still unmarried. Had the probationary courtship lasted that time nothing would have been thought of it. The Shaws were seized with another fear, and felt that their reputation was in jeopardy. Lang Tam had long before returned to his normal mind, the only difference noted being an absent manner whether with Peggie or alone. According to a report brought to the village by young Willie Purdie, who had watched them one evening under cover for two hours on the edge of the Cuthly woods, about the only thing Lang Tam said to Peggie was: "Ay, umph, just so—ay," and that was all.

"It's terrible how the time goes by," he said. "One or two believed that Lang Tam was carefully considering the matter, while others feared that his long reflections were induced by a desire to withdraw, and that he was simply planning the safest means to get rid of James was consulted as to the behavior of his son at table, and when he told Peter that he was "just a kind of all his meat," Peter, who was an oracle on the subject, pronounced it "nothing away." Seven months later, when James was again asked for the signs, he announced happily:

"Well, the laddie's beginnin' to flick, like we only half of his parritch game. 'Ye tell me so?' Peter said with the light of import in his eye. "Then, ay, things is gettin' serious. Keep a keener look out James, an', it's ken again how he behaves."

A month later James was striding down the brae towards the wynd when he almost ran into Peter and William Duffy.

"He's gettin' on fine," James said, reassured. "This vera mornin' he cud just tak a spueful, an it was na sinner in that it was oot again. On ay, he's gettin' on fine."

Peter and William exchanged glances and nodded simultaneously. There was no fear of Lang Tam now, he would soon marry Peggie.

Some time after, when Peggie was Mrs. Thomas MacLean, she explained in a moment of confidence to the questioning stare of Peter, that:

"It was as sweet as think that Peggie was mine that I just roared an' routed it like a sweet morsel under my tongue until I cudna keep the lassie wain't on my langer, but the mair I thought of the time when we cud get married it was mair an' I cud get thro' w' I lived in a kind o' heaven, lovin' my heart, my heart kept leavin' loopin' until really I cudna hold it, my mood, it cud no longer hold it. Peggie, but noo I ken there's no mair o' her in a' the Shaws."

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That indeed she could not gainsay—
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Ah, widow wail wailaday!

Back he turned to the haunts of men,
Mingled in the bluet flake,
Caught the dread of the world again,
Never doubting in all despite:
Knew no wrong that was not her right,
Sailing still in the olden way,
Not resenting a fateful slight:
Ah, widow wail wailaday!

Recked the little in passing then
Whether on him would narrow light,
This in danger from out his ken,
Fading and disappearing quite:
Though he loved her, her happy might,
Never a prayer had he for her;
Cute on him (for a stubborn knight):
Ah, widow wail wailaday!

For ever,
Pence, when the birds of earth roote,
They still the church and innocent say,
Sime will joys, though the loved one smite,
Ah, widow wail wailaday!

—E. J. McCarthy, in January Woman's Home Companion.

The Instructive Case of Jenkins

Jenkins is a bright young lawyer, who has had before a big empty desk for nearly two years without earning enough to buy a whole suit of clothes. Of course he's busy. It takes him about ten hours a week to study out the diplomatic possibilities of his next plea with his landlord. Then there is his affair at the restaurant. He has to keep watch of the holes in his head ticket and look for chance invitations to more sumptuous meals. It took him nearly a year of finance with Chinese laundrymen before he adopted a policy. What leisure he had was until lately occupied with a sort of credit correspondence with his father, upon which he is at liberty to draw only in cases of extreme necessity. Jenkins has written home many really able denials of "extreme necessity."

All this may not prove that Jenkins is willing to work, but he is, and he proved it last week. He "collared" with an eminent lawyer. This means, in his case, that he goes to work in exchange for his services as office boy, court messenger and a few more important variations. In the same office with Jenkins there is Stack, the clerk, whose chief excuse for being there is that he is helpless to the bone, and cannot work. Then there is Harkins, the stenographer, who really works and who, if the envy of both Jenkins and Stack because he draws a good salary and is allowed postage on his long trips. Stack's salary is \$7.50, but he has with his uncle and pays no board he is really the richest of the office. Jenkins gets 2 per cent on the bills he collects.

Two weeks ago, however, somebody brought him a good dinner, and then such an unexpected courage rose up within him, that he decided to approach the eminent lawyer with whom he "collared" and ask advice. To the lawyer Jenkins said:

"Mr. Lord, I'm not getting along very well, and I don't know exactly what to do to improve my affairs. Of course I

down from the steam radiator and asked:

"How much did you get?"
He even fancied that he could hear Harkins laugh when he answered: "I didn't collect a cent. Hard luck, isn't it? I ran into a gang of tough ones and then ran out of my fare. Any answers to our duaning letters?"

"Not a glimmer," mourned Harkins. Stack looked glad of it. He loathed Jenkins a half-dollar for car fare, charged it up on the company's book and reckoned his warm place in the corner.

When the young lawyer was gone out, the clerk sidled up to the stenographer and said:

"Say, Hark, I think we're on a dead one, don't you?"

"Hope not, for Jenk's sake. He's so in earnest," said the stenographer.

"Well, it's Jenk's doings. He suggested it, and I guess he needs the money worse than we do."

"But if it fails?"

"Well, if it fails I think Jenkins ought to stand the losses. I'm out five fifty already, and let's his fault."

"But he's doing all the work," suggested Harkins.

"Well, so he ought." And Mr. Stack went back to his desk.

The young lawyer worked like a devil. When car fare was gone he walked, even ran, after his supposed victims. He quit going back to the office and worked far into the night. He pestered the life out of every debtor, or who showed the least sign of paying up, and if they offered him a dollar he took it and asked for two. In the meantime, a few answers to advertisements came into the office, but Mr. Lord seized upon them as "too deep for the boys." Nobody called. Stack, Jenkins and finished three paper covered novels. Harkins plodded away in doors, both wondering how long Jenkins' nerve would stand the hardships of chasing his prey through icy and snow.

At noon on Saturday Jenkins appeared at the office. He looked thinner than ever. His shoes were worn out. He had a piece of red flannel round his neck and his voice was a husky whisper. Harkins didn't have the heart to ask him how he fared, but Stack yelled:

"Hello, old man! We thought you had absconded with the firm's money!"

Jenkins was very silent. He sat down at his desk and began to make out his statement. Stack watched him with curious interest as he filled up the few checks and greenbacks which represented the first week's business of the Calumet Quick Collection company. He had collected \$240 and the net earnings of the company at 10 per cent amounted to \$24—just \$8 for each of the three stockholders.

"Good boy," said Stack, picking up his share. "You're a wonder. I didn't think you'd make it go."

Harkins, making what Stack calls "a clump," clucked when Jenkins handed him his share of the profits.

"I'll tell you, Mr. Jenkins," he said, "I don't feel as if I was entitled to any of this money. You and Stack here did all the work, and you ought to keep my share for stamps and car fare, eh?"

But Jenkins insisted, and the stenographer yielded.

"All right," he laughed. "I'll take it on condition that you take dinner with me this evening. We'll celebrate the week's success—kind of christen the business. What do you say?"

TO STAIN FLOORS.

A Bit of Housewife Information of Service at Rat Portage.

The knowledge of the use of stains and varnishes and how to polish and clean furniture is invaluable to an economical housekeeper, who can easily, with the help of an intelligent maid, keep her house clean and bright and freshen it up when need be, without calling in the aid of an expensive workman. Former stains were confined to the colors nearly resembling natural woods, but of late colors are used—greens, blues, reds and yellow—which partake in no sense of the nature of paint, but are stains pure and simple, showing the grain of the wood.

The most fashionable stain at present for cottage furniture is green, not a sage green, but good, old-fashioned regular green, which when rubbed well into the pores of the wood and then polished is really beautiful. The two transparent colors, Prussian blue and raw sienna, make, when mixed together, an excellent green, or if a brighter tint is desired, gamboge and Prussian blue. A very little of the latter goes a great way, as it is altogether the most powerful color known and completely overcomes any other pigment if mixed in equal proportions. In staining, it should be borne in mind that it is not paint, but stain, and that a very little should be used, a pound being sufficient to stain a whole set of furniture.

To get a good color the wood must be light. Oak, yellow or white pine, maple, any of these are suitable, and the more grained the better, the more effect of bird's-eye maple, the heavy markings of oak and the picturesque knot so often seen in yellow pine, all coming out particularly well through the translucent color.

The best way to apply stain and bring out the grain of the wood is to put it on quite thick and then rub it off with a linen or cotton rag, and it is absolutely necessary that the wood should be in its natural condition without paint or varnish. By sending a special order to the manufacturers it is easy to get sets of furniture (without either, but if it is an open piece that is to be renovated it must be thoroughly scraped. After staining a coat of hard oil finish may be applied as a filler, and then after it is dry, it should be rubbed all over with the prepared brown wax that comes in cans for floors, and then rubbed with a flannel cloth until it is quite shiny and bright. After the wax is rubbed on it should be allowed to harden before polishing it. Prussian blue alone makes a very pretty peacock blue stain, raw sienna a yellow or orange, according to the amount of color used, crimson lake a lovely red, burnt sienna an almost exact imitation of new mahogany. All these are what are called "transparent" colors, and are, therefore, especially adapted for stains; but even opaque colors, if put on thin enough to show the grain in the wood, produce sometimes very pretty effects. White on certain woods has a milky opaque coloring, and a very strong color with delicate chintz. Light blue, canary yellow, apple green and pink-all may be used on woodwork as stains if applied in the way that house painters call "priming"—that is, one coat of stain on so thin that it shows the markings of the wood underneath. A good rule is to let the stain dry about ten miles at a time. This is perhaps an hour's ride, that may be easily extended to an hour and a quarter before that distance is covered; and if she does not feel fresh and in a glow when training of the nerves and muscles that she has ridden too long. Naturally their is that healthy tired feeling which any one recognizes after athletic exercise, but it is quite different from and never to be mistaken for the weariness which comes from too much exertion and straining of the nerves and muscles. Very few women have ever been injured on a bicycle who kept to this rule and limited their riding to normal distances.

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WOMEN AND BICYCLING.

It is in the Tendency to "Stretch" that the Chief Danger Lies.

In the first place it ought to be a law for every woman that she should never ride a bicycle after a distinct feeling of weariness comes over her. For those whose are beginning, especially, and in a measure for all women, there is a danger of riding out a certain distance, and only turning towards home when this feeling of weariness comes on. In such cases the strain on the nervous system all the way home is very great, and by the time the end of the journey is reached—for it has become a journey by this time—the rider is exhausted to such an extent that a severe headache or some more serious indisposition is the result. There is no other reason for this than the fact that she did not prescribe for herself a certain distance before starting out, which was not to be exceeded under any circumstances. No ordinary woman who rides for pleasure can ride a week without feeling about ten miles at a time. This is perhaps an hour's ride, that may be easily extended to an hour and a quarter before that distance is covered; and if she does not feel fresh and in a glow when training of the nerves and muscles that she has ridden too long. Naturally their is that healthy tired feeling which any one recognizes after athletic exercise, but it is quite different from and never to be mistaken for the weariness which comes from too much exertion and straining of the nerves and muscles. Very few women have ever been injured on a bicycle who kept to this rule and limited their riding to normal distances.

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Dated March 7th, 1905.

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The New York dailies of last week contain an advertisement of the first of a series of personally conducted tours to the Pacific coast by way of Colorado and Salt Lake and return via the Canadian Pacific railway. The excursion will be in a special Pullman train.

Master Mechanic Ord. of the C.P.R. western division, left yesterday for the east to enter on his new duties on the Atlantic division with Mr. Obornia. He will be replaced by G.H. McKinnon, of the Ontario & Quebec division who will arrive on May 18. Mr. Ord has been master mechanic at Winnipeg for the past year. Previous to coming here he was air brake instructor and travelled over the entire system.

Natron

Geo. Sherholtz, of Fort William, is the latest addition to the crew of the Keenora.

Harry Shields, of the Mikado, is in town.

Judging from the amount of liquid refreshments this of the Keenora the good people there will have no hard feelings for some time.

Natron

T. Hanson, our bandmaster, arrived home from the Mikado Saturday, where he has been in charge of the Keenora & Hoop depot at that place.

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MATT. 25: 1-13.

The torchlight procession of our times. If we reduce the numbers and tone down the demonstration somewhat, will convey to our mind a fairly truthful idea of the scene presented in this parable of Christ. On the night of the marriage a company of young ladies repair with lighted torches to the home of the bride, and there await the arrival of the bridegroom. As soon as his approach is heralded they issue forth to meet and escort him to the place appointed for the ceremony. They then go in with him to the wedding. The occasion is not one of hoisterous demonstration is at least one of great gladness. All the attendants and guests share in the joy of the happy pair. This is the scene ordinarily, but Christ gives His story a pathetic turn, and presents us with a tragic issue. Some of the party through lateness occasioned by a previous neglect are excluded from the wedding.

In this story two great truths are boded forth which have great prominence in the teaching of Christ.

1. Jesus is to come again. He is to come the second time unto the full salvation of His people. He will come in power and great glory. This is a distinct and sure word of prophecy. The doctrine of the second coming, the glorious re-appearance of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ, occupies a large place in the New Testament and should be given corresponding emphasis in our thought and life.

2. There is need of preparation for His coming. Be ye also ready, said He, for at such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh. Lamps must be trimmed and burning; character be perfected; our work accomplished; at least in these things we must be diligent. The attitude of saints in the early time towards the coming of Christ has been expressed in such words as, loving His appearing, watching for His coming, waiting for His Son from Heaven.

Oh happy servant he, In such a posture found! He shall his Lord with rapture see, And be with honor crowned. Waiting, obedient, watchful; these words suggest fit preparation for His coming.

This doctrine therefore together with Christ's warnings against un-readiness for that great and glorious appearing constitute the background in which we are to regard this parable as set. Thus the story speaks of.

The character of un-readiness, The wise and the foolish are brought

fundamentals; they explore the surface but do not touch the bottom in Christianity; their life is one of impulse rather than principle, of fickle emotion rather than abiding conviction; they extol the merits of things seen rather than consider the value of the unseen; the leaf to them is more than the root. They have not oil for their lamps in adequate measure, or, according to another figure used by Christ, they have not in them the fountain springing up into everlasting life. The brave abbe in the dark dismal cell of a French prison wrote a book by the light of a lamp made out of shreds of cloth soaked in grease obtained from his food. A poor and precarious means of light this, and foolish would we name them who would choose it other than, as in this case, upon the plea of necessity. In the world of professed Christians, it is to be feared, there are some who are thus foolish. Their light is dim, their resources scant, and this by virtue not of necessity but imprudence.

2. Emergency as a test. Trial is a test of character as it is of anything else. The majority may pass muster favorably when tried by what is ordinary, the average, the usual, but break down when tested by the unusual. Surprise brings a man's true self to light. The bridegroom is delayed, and this delay brings to view the imperfectness of preparation made by one section of the escorting company. The stock exchange in New York this last week has witnessed a number of serious collapses. Some of them were commercial, some physical, and some partook of both. They say that only the man of iron constitution can endure this strain. These crises of the market are tests of strength and resource. So are the crises, the unexpected changes in life, tests of our faith, and courage, and endurance. "A man has only as much religion as he can command in trial," Christ teaches. There are many who say, Where is the promise of His coming? Who have resources adequate for this? Who can resist the hardness, the sloth, the worldliness, the license to which we are tempted by this delay? This waiting is the test of men. Are we ready? Are we watching for the sounding of His foot fall? "Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when He cometh shall find so doing."

3. Our solidarity in responsibility. We stand alone before Christ at His coming. "Every man shall bear his own burden." The foolish crave a share in the resources of the wise. They meet with what seems to be heartless rebuff, but which, on second thought, we may see is the answer of necessity. This parable has found interpretation at the hands of the sculptor. An exquisite production in marble tells again the story. In it the foolish are represented as making pathetic entreaty to the wise. The one addressed has a look of unutterable sadness, and with hand uplifted to guard her treasure seems to say, "Not so." Gazing upon this marble a famous sculptor is reported to have said

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